

WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:

1. Cosmetics comprising algal proteins or derivatives thereof.
2. The cosmetics according to claim 1, wherein the algae are seaweeds of the genus Porphyra, wakame seaweeds, Chlorella or Spirulina.
3. The cosmetics according to claim 1, wherein the derivatives are algal proteins which were esterified, silylated, cationized or acylated.
4. Cosmetics comprising peptides obtained by hydrolysis of algal proteins, or derivatives thereof.
5. The cosmetics according to claim 4, wherein the algae are seaweeds of the genus Porphyra, wakame seaweeds, Chlorella or Spirulina.
6. The cosmetics according to claim 4, wherein the derivatives are algal peptides which were esterified, silylated, cationized or acylated.
7. The cosmetics according to claim 4, wherein the hydrolysis is hydrolysis with a protease and/or an acid or an alkali.